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Construction Notice

June 21, 2021

Watermain Replacement on Steeles Avenue West from Carnival Court to Carpenter Road

Contract: 21ECS-LU-06SU
Start Date: August 16, 2021
End Date: February 9, 2022
**Timeline is subject to change.*

The City of Toronto will replace the watermain and the City-owned portion of substandard water services on Steeles Avenue West from Carnival Court to Carpenter Road.

The water service is the underground pipe that brings water to your water meter and is owned by you and by the City. The part you own is from your house to the end of your property, the part the City owns is from the end of your property to the watermain.

This project is part of the Council-approved 2021 Capital Works Program to renew our aging infrastructure, improve water distribution and reduce the risk of watermain breaks.

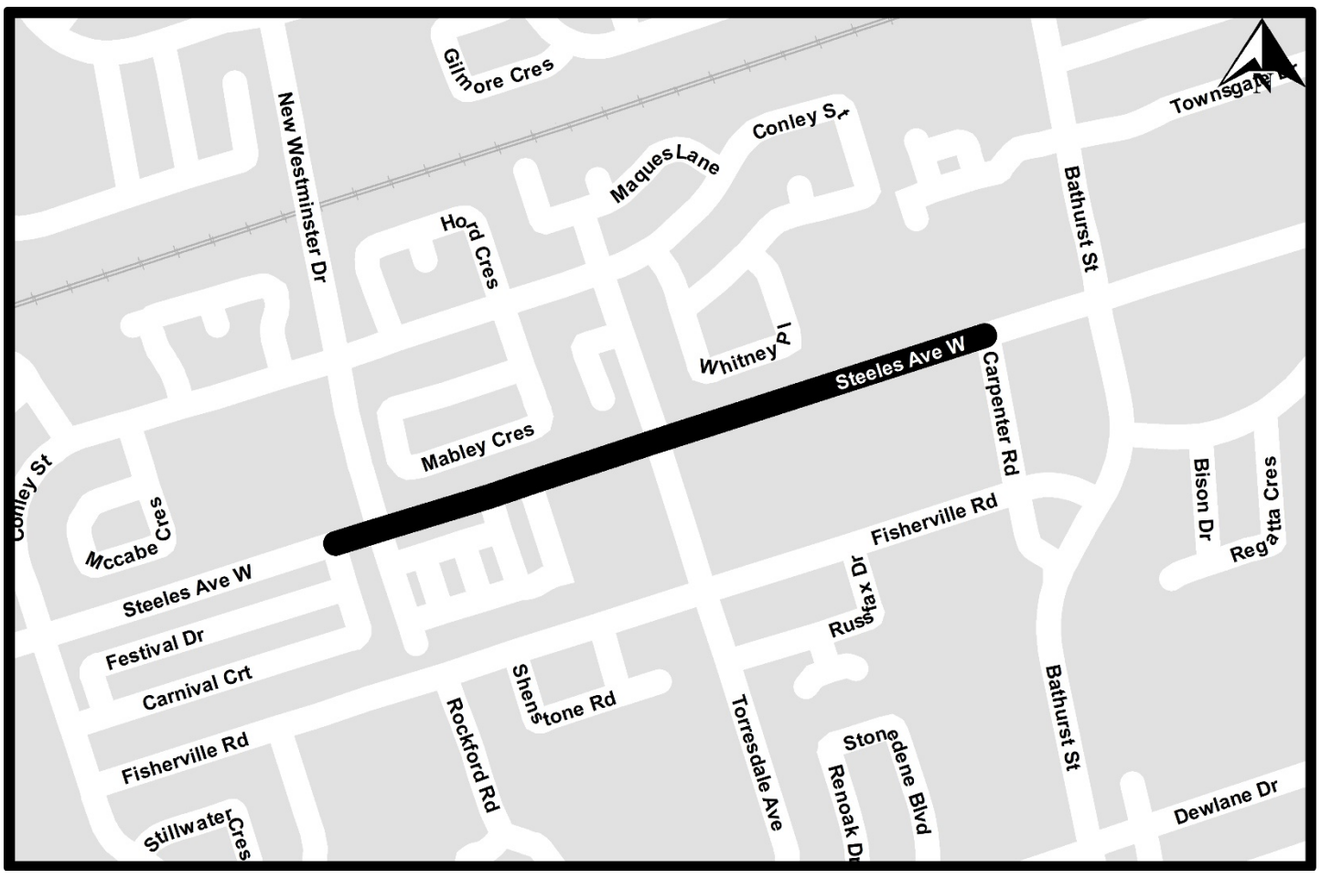
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT COVID-19 AND CONSTRUCTION WORK IN TORONTO

During construction, the contractor is responsible for the Health & Safety on site under the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and is expected to implement COVID-19 mitigation practices. For more information on the City's response to COVID-19 please visit **toronto.ca/covid-19**.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT LEAD WATER SERVICES

If you live on Steeles Avenue West in the area described above in a house that was built before the mid-1950s, your water service may be made of lead. Please read the attached fact sheet with important information about the risks of lead in drinking water, especially if someone in your house is pregnant, there are children under six years old, or there is an infant drinking formula made using tap water.

MAP OF WORK AREA



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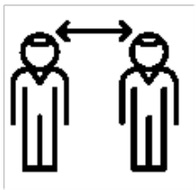
WORK DETAILS

The City's contractor will:

- excavate the road and dig a trench to access and install the new watermain;
- replace any City-owned water service pipes that do not meet City standards from the watermain to the private property line; and
- resurface the road / watermain trench.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- You may experience dust, noise and other inconveniences. The City will make efforts to reduce the impacts. We appreciate your patience.
- The City will not be responsible for damage to any privately owned items on City property.

	Work Hours: Work will take place from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday to Friday, with work after hours and on weekends as required.
	Site Safety: Workers on site are responsible for the work assigned to them. If you have construction questions or an issue on site – ask to be directed to the site inspector. If the site inspector is unavailable, contact the person listed at the end of this notice.
	**Physical Distancing:** There are times when contractors need to communicate with homeowners about what is happening on-site. This could be about driveway access, water shut offs, pre-construction inspections, and site restoration work (landscaping, installing pavers etc.). Contractor's staff will be identifiable by their high-visibility clothing and will maintain physical distancing.
	Important information for owners of sprinkler systems / heated driveways and private landscaping features. Property owners should remove items located within City property limits (boulevard) to avoid damage. This includes items such as landscaping (plants and pavers), decorative objects, sprinkler systems or heated driveways. If you have a sprinkler system or heated driveway, please contact the **Field Ambassador** listed below.
	Telephone and Internet Services: This work may affect phone and internet cables for individual properties that aren't buried deep below the sidewalk. The contractor will coordinate with utility companies to minimize disruption. Residents who find their service has been disrupted should contact the **Field Ambassador** ***and*** notify their phone or internet service provider.
	Water Service Disruptions: From time-to-time, the water supply to your property will be shut-off to complete construction; the contractor will provide notice at least 24-hours in advance. Throughout the work, it is recommended that you temporarily disconnect any water treatment systems (i.e., softeners or filters), water-cooled air conditioners or similar plumbing fixtures. Automatic lawn sprinkler systems may also be affected, therefore, you may need to water manually. In the event you did not receive advance notice, the City may have needed to use an ***emergency water shut off*** to complete work.
	Substandard Water Service Replacement: Please take the time to read the attached fact sheet carefully as it contains important information on lead in drinking water and how to prepare for replacement. If you want to replace the private portion of the water service pipe, the City of Toronto recommends that you obtain several quotes before selecting a contractor. **PLEASE NOTE:** The City is not able to get involved in any contract to have work done on private property. Property owners are responsible for ensuring contractors do not interfere with the work being done on City property. Learn more at www.toronto.ca/leadpipes.

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	Road and Sidewalk Access: In order to complete the work in a safe manner, there will be road and sidewalk restrictions within the work zone. Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times. **Driveway Access:** The contractor will notify you of any temporary restrictions to your driveway access. If your property has two entrances, one entrance will be kept open at all times.
	Traffic Management: Road users should expect delays and increased traffic on nearby streets. Motorists are reminded that bicycles and cars will be sharing the lane. When driving, please be mindful of vulnerable road users. **Traffic on Steeles Avenue West will be reduced to two lanes heading eastbound.**
	Parking: This project will affect on-street parking. Parking in the active work zone is not permitted as space is needed for construction equipment and materials. If your parked vehicle affects construction work, it will be relocated with no charge to the owner. Please call 416-808-2222 for its location.
	Parking Violation Notice: If parking enforcement is called to a street, officers must issue a yellow parking violation notice (ticket) to vehicles in violation of parking by-laws. If you receive a yellow notice during this construction work, do the following within 15 days of the notice date: 1) Contact the site inspector or person listed on the Construction Notice and give them the yellow notice number. 2) Dispute the parking violation notice online or in person following the process listed on the back of the parking violation notice. ***You may use this construction notice as part of the explanation of why the violation should be cancelled.*** **Please note:** violation notices cannot be cancelled if vehicles are parked in illegal parking spots (i.e., in front of a fire hydrant or in no parking zones). In an effort to reduce ticketing due to construction, please exercise patience with neighbours who are experiencing construction and may need to temporarily park on your street.
	Accessible Accommodation: Residents who require accommodation (level entry, longer notice, etc.) must contact the **Field Ambassador** to arrange for access during the construction period.
	Garbage and Recycling: Please follow your normal routine. If required, the contractor will move bins to an appropriate location and return them. ***Please ensure that you label your bins with your address.***
	Water Flushing: You will see water flushing or running in several areas along this project due to cleaning the new watermain. Before substandard water services are replaced and the new watermain is put into service, the new pipe must meet Toronto Water's servicing and quality standards. ***Please*** **DO NOT DRINK OR USE THE FLUSHING WATER, it is not potable.**
	Restoration: The construction work area will be restored with sod, concrete and/or asphalt where required. Interlocking bricks, flagstone on a granular base, or other similar features that are removed from public and private property during construction will be replaced. Lawn seeding and/or laying of sod will be done as needed during ideal growing seasons only - April to June and September to October.

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NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions about this construction project, please contact staff listed below. If you need to speak with staff on the construction site – please ask for the site inspector, respect physical distancing and wear a mask.

Contract	21ECS-LU-06SU
Project Manager / Field Ambassador	Emily Cameron, 416-473-5799, field.ambassador.PM3B@ghd.com
TTY Hearing Impaired Service	416-338-0889 (Daily 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed holidays)
General inquiries	311
Website	**toronto.ca/YorkCentre**

Thank you for your patience. Building a great city takes time. Better infrastructure for all of us is worth the wait.